

# Protocols and Procedures for Grid-Level ESS

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# ESS Performance Protocol Development

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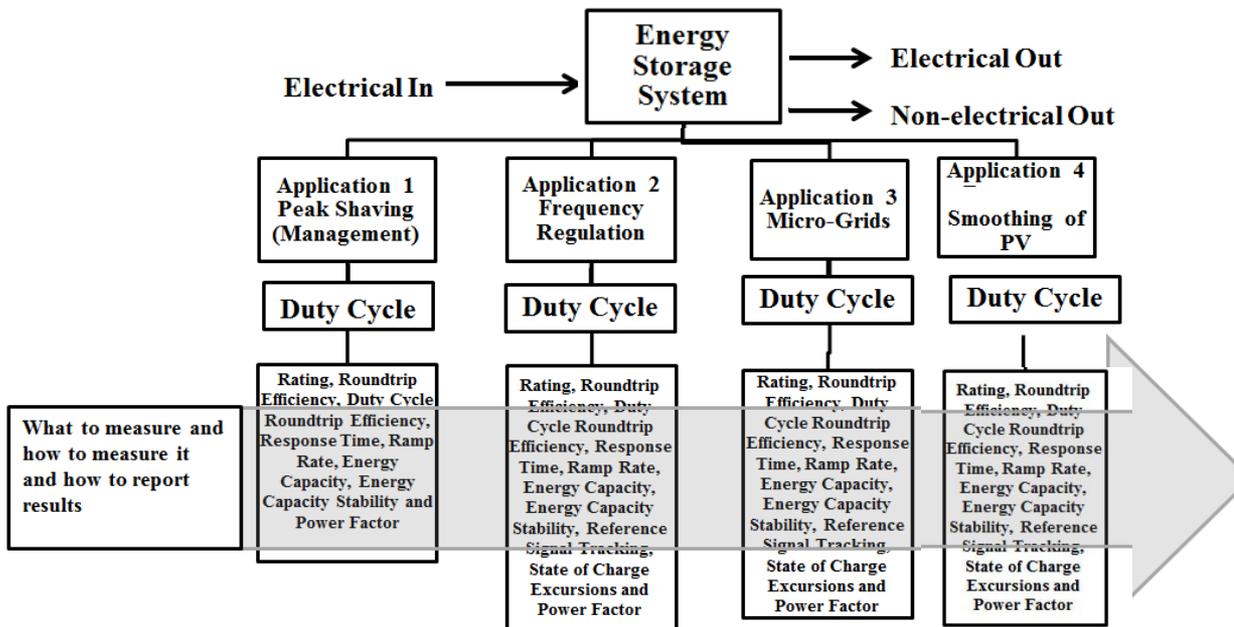
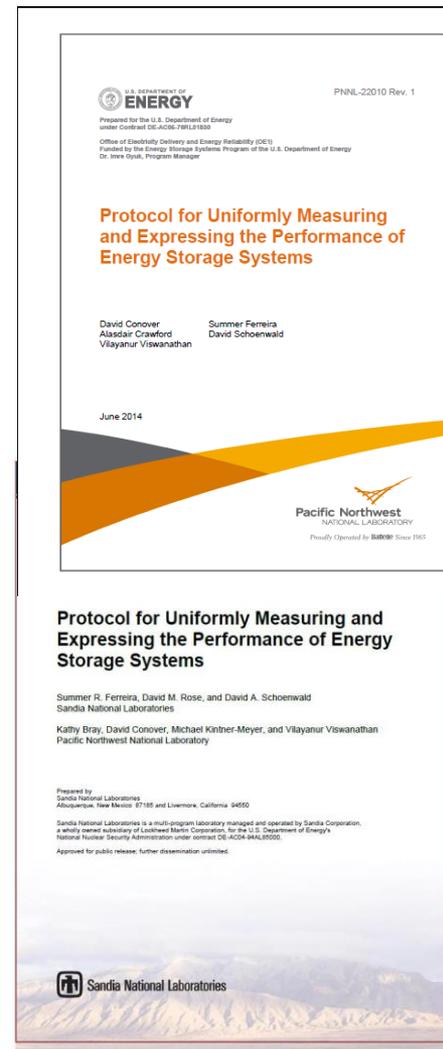
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# Background and Needs

- There is significant activity to deploy energy storage technology and foster its acceptance
- In the absence of an agreed upon set of criteria for measuring and expressing system performance...
  - manufacturers have to develop their own criteria
  - it is a challenge to compare the performance of different systems
  - customers may make up their own criteria and as a result force re-testing
  - deployment of ESS are more costly and time consuming
- ✓ The storage industry and its customers/users need **uniform** ways of measuring performance

# Protocol for Measuring and Expressing ESS Technology Performance

- first protocol was published in 2012
- broad scope and purpose
- criteria covering two energy storage applications
- room for growth to address additional applications
- microgrids and technical enhancements added in June 2014
- PV smoothing added with anticipated re-publication in late 2014



# FY14 ESS Protocol Accomplishments



- Initiated a protocol users group to test drive the protocol and provide ongoing feedback that can be used to inform future protocol enhancements
- Added thermal storage systems for peak shaving applications
- Added two new applications to protocol
  - Micro-grids
  - PV Smoothing
- SDOs strongly considering ESS protocol as a basis for new standards in ESS performance
  - NEMA (U.S.)
  - IEC (International)

# ESS Protocol users group

- Input from the users group was one of the primary **enhancements** added to the June 2014 Protocol
- Consists of members of the ESS Protocol Working Group, who have agreed to “**test drive**” the 2012 Protocol and provide feedback about their experiences
- This **feedback** has helped to:
  - refine the performance measurement and expression criteria to make them easier and less time consuming to apply
  - enhance the accuracy of the results
  - ensure that the metrics are equally applicable to all systems (e.g., do not support one system type over another)

# Thermal storage group

- Focuses on effectively addressing **thermal storage systems** within the ESS protocol
- Enhancement added for 2014 was **peak-shaving** applications
- Consistency in how the document refers to what is measured and reported is achieved by **clearly defining electrical and thermal energy**:
  - Input to/output from the ESS at any instant is **power** ( $V \times I$ )
  - Cumulative input to/cumulative output from the ESS over time is **energy** ( $V \times I \times t$ )
- Whenever the criteria specifically refer only to electrical or thermal systems, the terms electrical or thermal are used to qualify power or energy

# Microgrid working group

- Working group had 30 members
- National labs, Utilities, Storage vendors, Controls, SDOs, Testing laboratories, Integrators
- 10 web meetings, multiple email exchanges
- Microgrid exchange group definition adopted:  
“a group of interconnected loads and distributed energy resources within clearly defined electrical boundaries that act as a single controllable entity with respect to the main grid and can connect to and disconnect from the grid to enable it to operate in either grid-connected or island mode”

# Microgrid overview

- Typical microgrid is connected to the main grid and operates in islanded mode as the need arises
- Requires consideration of all grid applications and islanded mode applications
- The ESS Protocol Microgrid Sub-group decided to consider the microgrid operating in an islanded mode
- Three different scenarios
  - With renewables
  - With renewables, but no frequency regulation
  - Without renewables and without frequency regulation

# Microgrid use cases

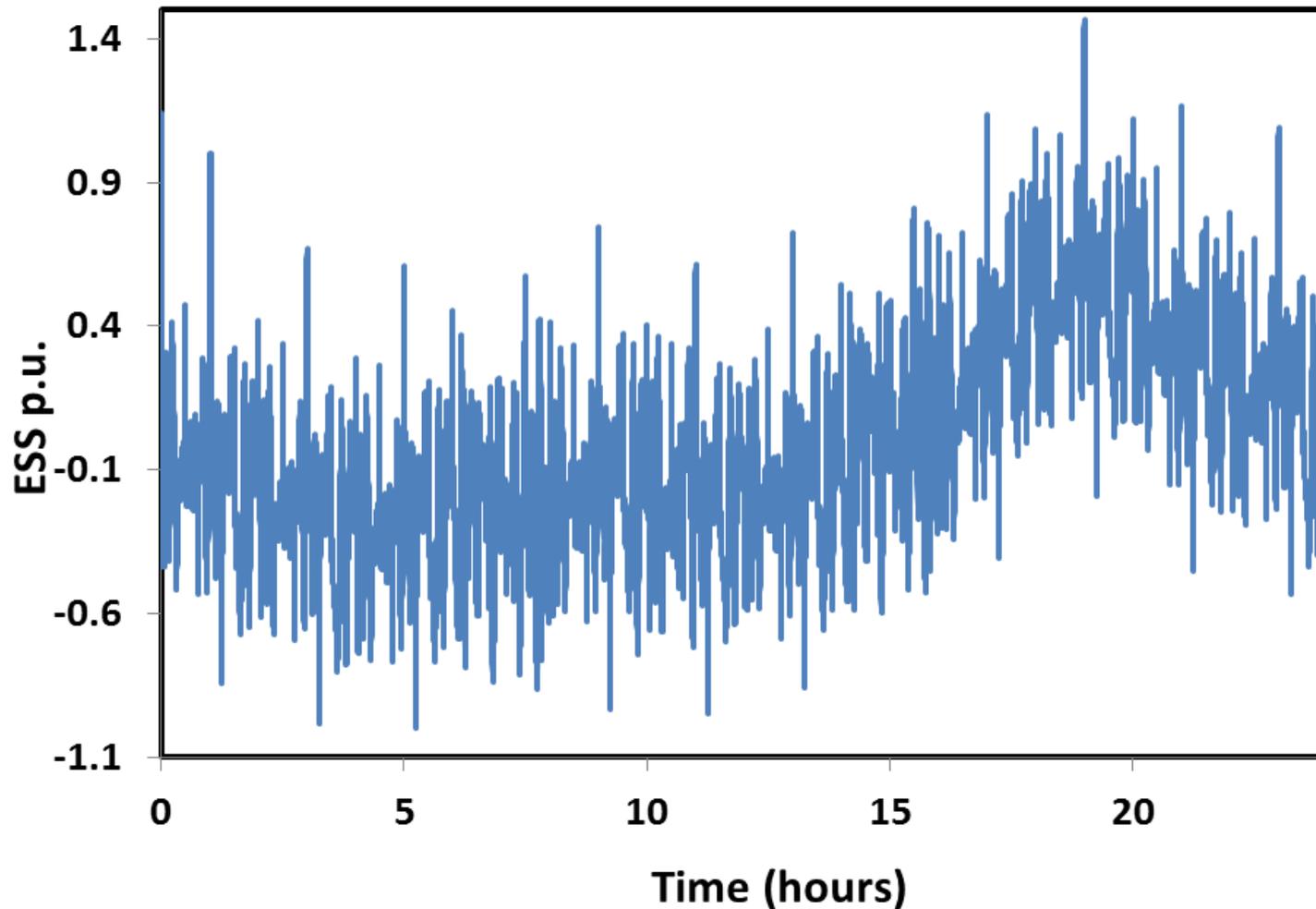
- Use cases
  - Frequency regulation
  - Renewable smoothing
  - Volt/Var support
  - Power quality
  - Frequency response
  - Black start
- Assumptions
  - Critical load is 25% of peak load
  - Maximum wind and solar generation is 35% (each) of peak load
  - Wind generation data provided by a South Central Washington State commercial wind generation facility
  - Solar output and load at the Rankine Avenue Substation in Mount Holly, NC used (Dan Sowder, 2013)
  - Night load taken from the literature (Pipattanasompom et al. 2011)
- Details found in PNNL-23390 and PNL-22010 Rev 1

# Performance Metrics

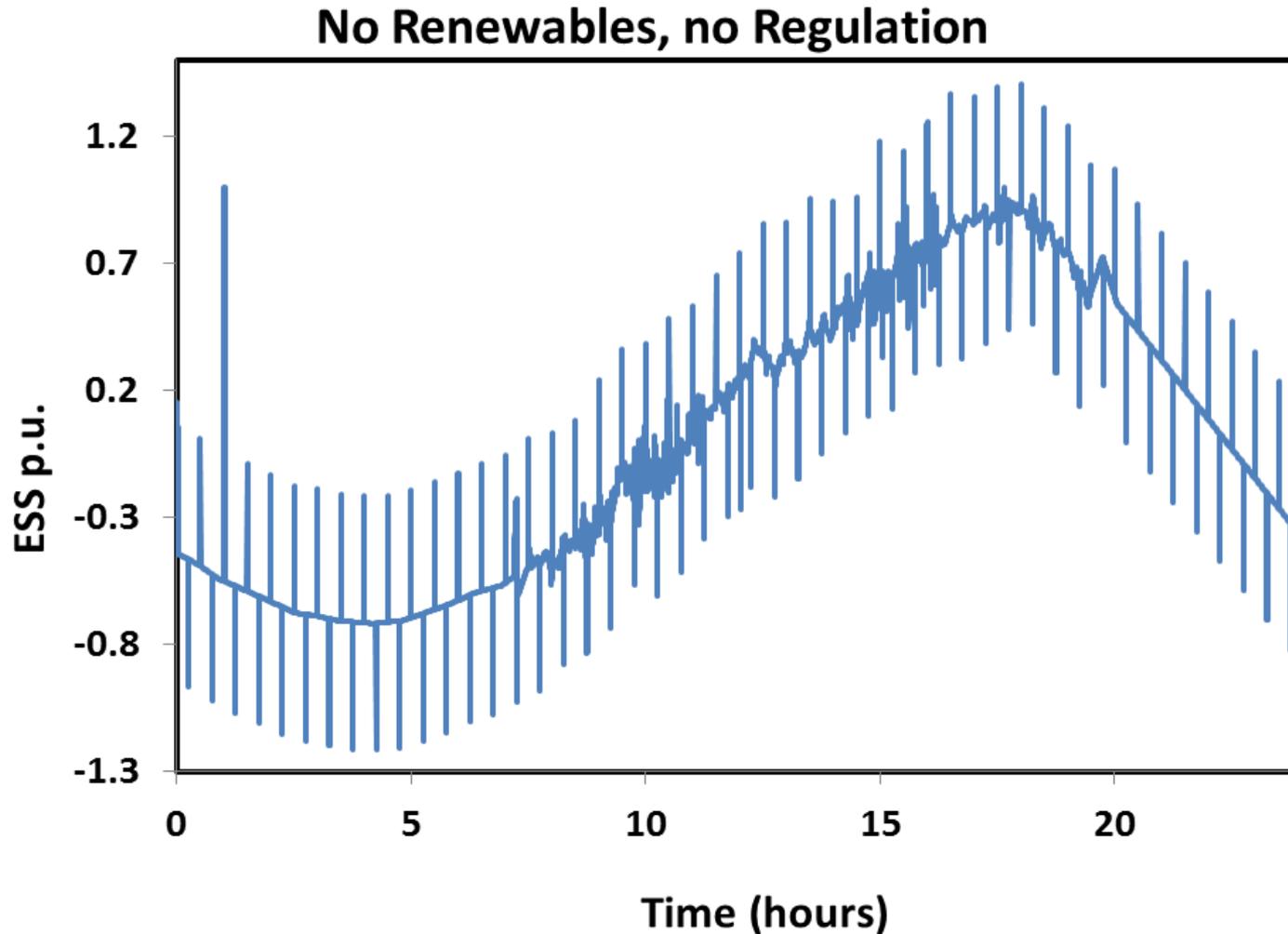
- Round trip efficiency
- Duty cycle round trip efficiency
- Response time and ramp rate
- Energy capacity
- Energy capacity stability
- Reference signal tracking
- State of charge excursion
- Power factor

# Duty cycle A – Renewables with regulation

## Renewables with Regulation



# Duty cycle C – No Renewables, no frequency regulation



# Reporting results

**Table 8.1.1.** Stored Energy Capacity and Roundtrip Efficiency at Rated Power

|         | Charge Energy (Wh) | Discharge Energy (Wh) | Roundtrip Efficiency |
|---------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Cycle 1 | _____              | _____                 |                      |
| Cycle 2 | _____              | _____                 |                      |
| Sum     |                    |                       |                      |

## Response time and ramp rate

Discharge response time = -----seconds

Discharge ramp rate = ----- MW/min and -----% rated power/min

Charge response time = -----seconds

Charge ramp rate = ----- MW/min and -----% rated power/min.

**Table 8.3.2.** Roundtrip Efficiency Test for Microgrid Duty Cycles

| Duty Cycle | Charge Energy (Wh) | Discharge Energy (Wh) | Duty Cycle Roundtrip Efficiency |
|------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| First      |                    |                       |                                 |
| Second     |                    |                       |                                 |
| Third      |                    |                       |                                 |

## SOC excursion

Lowest SOC, renewables with frequency regulation –

Highest SOC, renewables with frequency regulation –

Lowest SOC, renewables without frequency regulation –

Highest SOC, renewables without frequency regulation –

Lowest SOC, no renewables and no frequency regulation –

Highest SOC, no renewables and no frequency regulation –

**Table 8.3.4.** Reference Signal Tracking Test for Microgrid Duty Cycles

| Duty Cycle | $\Sigma(P_{\text{signal}} - P_{\text{ess}})^2$ (watts <sup>2</sup> ) | $\Sigma P_{\text{signal}} - P_{\text{ess}} $ (watts) | $\Sigma E_{\text{signal}} - E_{\text{ess}} $ (Wh) | % of time signal is tracked |
|------------|--|--|---|-----------------------------|
| First      |  |  |   |                             |
| Second     |  |  |   |                             |
| Third      |  |  |   |                             |

# PV Smoothing working group

- Working group has 22 members
- National labs, Utilities, Storage vendors, Controls, Integrators
- 6 web meetings, multiple email exchanges
- Working Group is finalizing duty cycle for ESS protocol

# Definition of PV Smoothing

- PV Smoothing – the use of an energy storage system (ESS) to mitigate **rapid fluctuations** in variable photovoltaic (PV) power output
- Purpose:
  - To mitigate frequency variation and stability issues that can arise at both feeder and transmission level in **high penetration PV** scenarios
  - To help meet ramp rate requirements
  - Feeder level – To mitigate voltage flicker and voltage excursions outside desired bands
  - Transmission level – PV variability can require additional operating reserve to be set aside and can cause traditional generation to cycle more than otherwise
- Method:
  - ESS is used to absorb or supply power at appropriate times as determined by a control system resulting in a less variable composite power signal at feeder and/or transmission level

# Metrics

List of needed metrics:

1. System Rating – @ ambient conditions
2. Roundtrip Energy Efficiency – for entire ESS
3. Duty-Cycle Roundtrip Efficiency "
4. Response Time of ESS in responding to a command signal – does not include communication delay times
5. Ramp Rate
6. Energy Capacity
7. Energy Capacity Stability
8. Reference Signal Tracking – how well does ESS track the reference signal; metric definition is:  $| \text{reference signal power} - \text{ESS power} | ^2$
9. State-of-Charge Excursions
10. Power Factor – measure of inverter performance

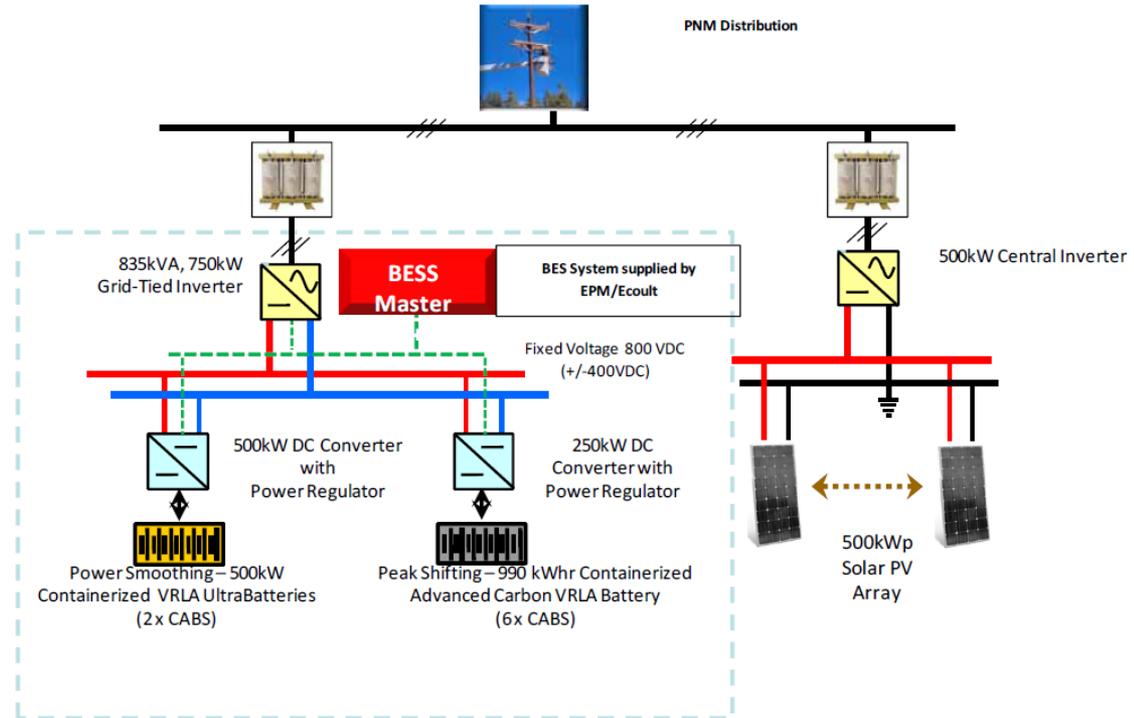
# PV Smoothing Duty Cycle

- What is basic time length of duty cycle?
  - 8 to 10 hours should be sufficient
- What key features should duty cycle capture?
  - Basic idea is to capture 1-2 hour “slices” of typical PV generation obtained from different days and splicing them together, rather than trying to find one day that has “everything”.
  - These “slices” should try to capture different scenarios such as mostly sunny, partly cloudy, and mostly cloudy days.
  - Different regions and times of year would be captured in one signal rather than having multiple duty cycles.
- Time resolution of data?
  - 1 second data is needed
- Do we need multiple scenarios as with microgrids?
  - One duty cycle should capture most situations.

# PV Power Output Data Source

## PNM Prosperity Electricity Storage Project

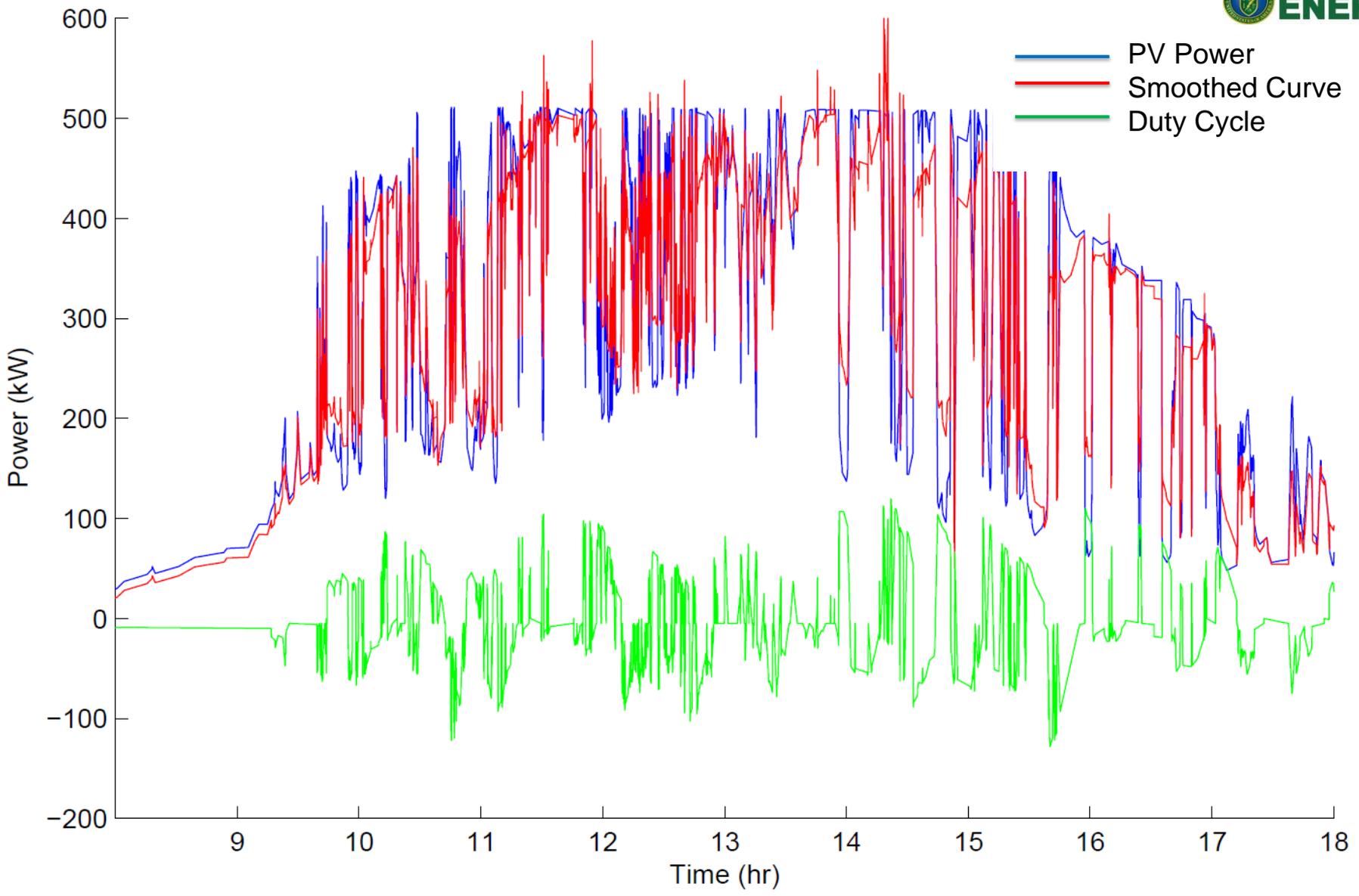
- ARRA project which includes PNM, UNM, NNMC, SNL, East Penn, S&C Electric, EPRI
- We have permission (from Public Service Company of New Mexico – PNM) to use:
  - PV power output, kW
  - Battery power output, kW
- Data features
  - Archived from 2011 onward
  - One second time resolution



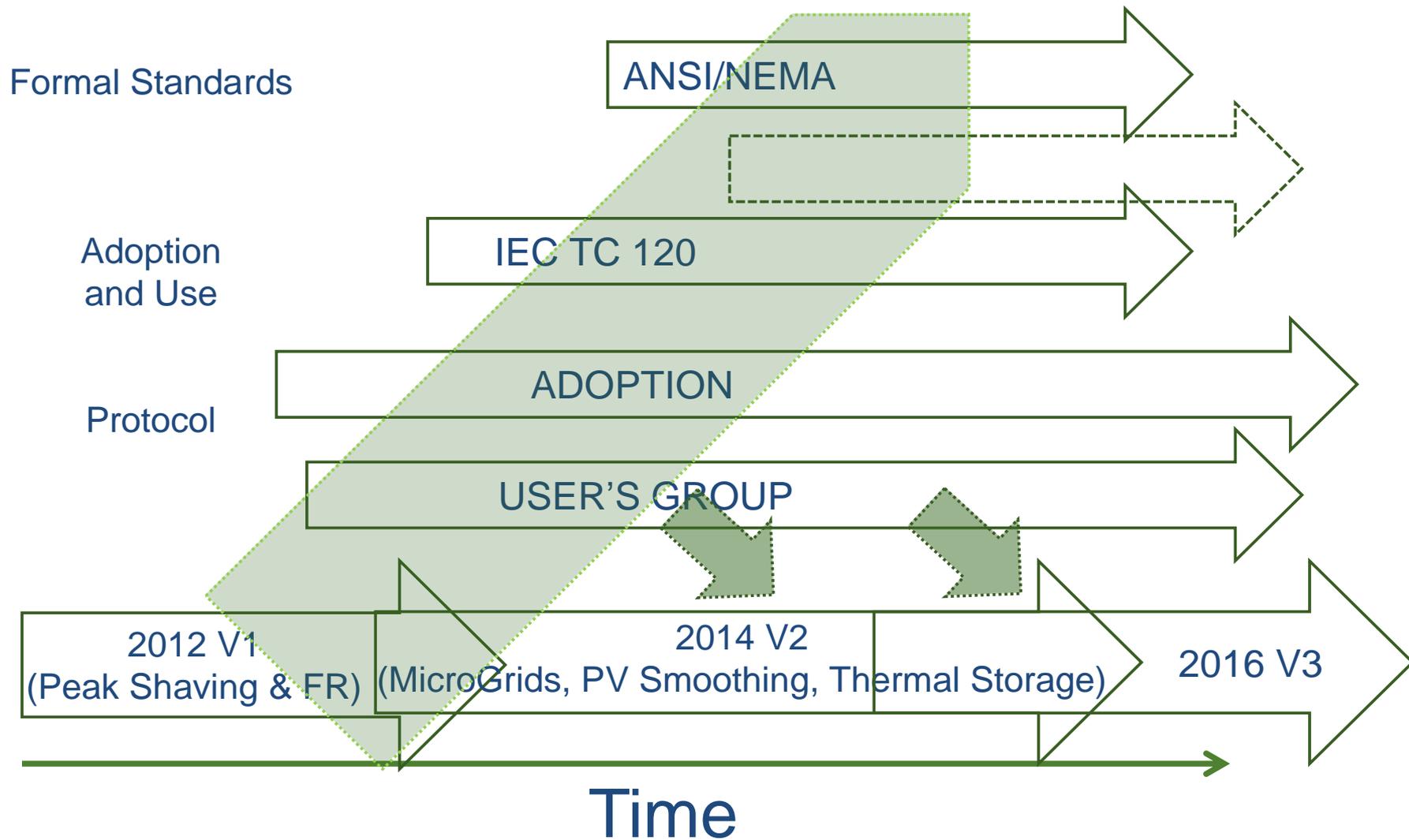
# Duty Cycle Construction Process

- Purpose of Smooth Curve is to ensure that storage device will be responding to the “deltas” in PV variability from some nominal profile
- Smooth Curve can be visualized as the desired power output of a “peaker” plant with the smoothing battery then focused on mitigating the “excursions” – Note that smooth curve needs to be just that, no more than some allowable ramp rate that a peaker plant can handle.
- Battery will both charge and discharge in following duty cycle
- Power curves should be normalized (0 to 100%) such that they are invariant to battery power and energy ratings

# Example Duty Cycle from "High" PV Variability



# Fostering Future Enhancements



## Questions?

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